



Strathcona County Minor Football Association

Awards / Recognition Nomination Form

Date submitted: _____

Date Reviewed (office): _____

Section 1. Applicant Information *(must be completed)*

a) Name & Address of Individual nominating someone: _____

b) Phone numbers *(for contact and clarification)*: _____

c) Role of Applicant re: this nomination: (please circle)

Coach

Administrator

Trainer

Asst. Coach

Parent

Athlete

Other: _____

Section 2. Nominee Information

a) Name and address: _____

b) Award Being Nominated for (as per SCMFA website): _____

c) Nominee relationship to SCMFA : *(please circle as many as necessary)*

Coach

Executive

Trainer

Asst. Coach

Athlete

Referee / Official

Other: _____

d) **Please describe why you believe this nominee should be recognized** (provide details, dates and names of positions held, achievements or contributions made during the nominees involvement with SCMFA):

e) Are there any other individuals who support this nomination? If so please list their names and telephone numbers:

Section 3. Executive Review

a) Have other individuals been contacted? _____

b) Does research support the nomination? _____

Section 4. Decision

SCMFA Awards

1. Bob Edwards Founder Trophy

This award recognizes Mr. Bob (R.C.) Edwards who founded the Sherwood Park Minor Football Association in 1974 (now known as SCMFA). He had a love for the game as a player and contributed to football in Sherwood Park over two decades as a coach, administrator and fundraiser at the Atom, Peewee, Bantam & High School levels. Building kids confidence in leadership, sportsmanship and teamwork skills were top priority. Bob believed in being prepared, fair play, team sacrifice, absolute sportsmanship, playing time for all kids and not running up the score. This award shall be presented to a Coach (assistant or head), administrator (includes team manager or Executive) or player who has demonstrated all or most of the following qualities at an *exceptional* level in the playing year:

- Leadership: by example and motivation
- Team sacrifice & commitment
- Mentorship to a player or other volunteers within the team/association
- demonstrated perseverance: a never give up attitude
- demonstrated sportsmanship: fair play & winning/ losing graciously.
- has a proven positive attitude
- has shown a love of the game

The award is eligible annually or as deserved (there may not always be an accepted nomination) as determined by the executive. The nominee does not have to be involved with the association for any specific length of time to qualify or be eligible for this award. It shall consist of a trophy that will be displayed in a suitable location by the Association, and an individual plaque that shall be presented to the recipient. With this award the Edwards family have made a donation to SCMFA to honour their father/husband by a sponsorship of registration or other necessary costs for players who otherwise may not be able to play football. Each year at the Awards night SCMFA will acknowledge the number of players that this award has sponsored in that given season.

2. Susan Anderson Memorial Award

This award recognizes Mrs. Susan Anderson who served on the Executive of the SCMFA with distinction and shall be presented annually to the person determined by the Executive to have made the most significant contribution to minor football in Strathcona County over the football season. It shall consist of a trophy that will be displayed in a suitable location by the Association, and an individual plaque that shall be presented to the recipient. It need not be awarded in any season.

3. The Don Biggs Memorial Certificate of Achievement

This award recognizes Mr. Donald Biggs, who was one of the individuals who started the first minor football team in Strathcona County. It shall recognize a single achievement by a coach manager, player, parent or member of the Executive who institutes or causes to be instituted a policy, project of other significant development in the history of minor football. It shall not be awarded to more than two persons per season, and need not be awarded in any season. The award shall consist of a framed certificate recognizing the significant contribution of the individual, and signed by the President.

Candidates for this award may be nominated by either the Executive at a regular meeting or by the membership at the Annual General Meeting, and shall be chosen by the Executive.

4. The Earl Keeley Memorial Lifetime Scroll of Merit

This award recognized Mr. Earl Keeley, who was one of the individuals who began the first minor football team in Strathcona County and thereafter dedicated a significant portion of his life to the youth of Strathcona County. It shall

recognize lifetime achievement by an individual as a player, coach, manager, or member of the Executive, or any combination of the above. The award shall consist of a framed certificate recognizing the significant contribution of the individual, and an accompanying gift. The gift shall be chosen by the Executive, and shall be chosen with consideration of the individual's tastes and its applicability to his or her accomplishments. The gift shall not be less than \$300 and not more than \$450 in monetary value. This amount may be amended from time to time by a simple majority vote of the Executive.

To be eligible for this award, a person must have contributed not less than ten years of volunteerism to the Association. The award shall be presented only if during this time the individual has contributed what would in the judgement of the Executive be considered above and beyond the normal duties and contributions of an individual serving in their normal capacity to the Association.

This award shall be made only in cases where outstanding merit is to be recognized, and shall not be presented more than once each year. The recipient may be an active and participating member of the Association, or may have retired from Association service.

5. The Unsung Hero Award

This award recognizes an individual who has gone above and beyond the call of duty as a simple volunteer. They have been recognized by a coach or a parent or the Executive as someone you can count on, someone who goes the extra mile or someone who always shows up with a helping hand. This individual may not have held a title but is well known just because they are always there. "We do what we do for the kids and their development in this game we all love" and this individual more than most epitomizes that phrase.

There is no eligibility for this award other than this person must be nominated by those that recognize that special quality they possess. This award consists of a take home plaque and the individual's name on a trophy which will be displayed in a prominent location.

6. Service Awards

Service awards for five, ten, fifteen and twenty years of coaching service in minor football in Strathcona County shall be recognized by the presentation of a memento pin to the coach concerned. The pin shall be tastefully designed and the quality of the pin should reflect the years of service that the coach is being recognized for.

Service as either a head coach or an assistant coach on any team affiliated with the Association shall be considered as a year coached for the purposes of this award. The years of coaching service by an individual need not be consecutive.

7. The SCMFA Hall of Fame

The Association shall endeavour to establish, in a place that is readily available to public viewing, a collection of memorabilia, photographs or other articles honouring individuals who have made contributions worthy of recognition.

A candidate for induction shall no longer be an active participant in the activities of the Association, and shall not have been a participant for one full season. This requirement may be waived by a three-quarters majority vote of the Executive, in cases where the achievements have been such that immediate recognition is appropriate.

Individuals who are chosen for induction into the Hall shall meet one or more of the following criteria:

- I. He/she shall have contributed significantly as a player in terms of dedication to the game, in such a manner as to have earned the respect and admiration of his teammates and coaches.

- II. He shall have served with distinction as a coach, manager, or a team volunteer or Executive Member, to such an extent as to have earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues.

Any member of the Association may nominate an individual who meets the above criteria by the following method:

- i. He/she shall first submit in writing to the Executive a proposal for admission. This proposal shall consist of the reasons for nomination, and must be accompanied by letters of support from no less than three other members or past members of the Association.
- ii. The proposal for admission shall be considered by the Executive, who shall appoint a Selection Committee of three members of the Executive, including the President. This committee shall have the power to further investigate the merits of the proposal as it sees fit.
- iii. The Selection committee shall then recommend acceptance or rejection to the Executive. If the proposal is rejected, the Committee can then recommend that the proposal be re-examined for admission the following season.
- iv. At the Annual General Meeting, the list of successful proposals shall be put to the members, who shall vote to accept or reject the prospective members to the Hall. This will normally be done by a proposal to accept all members with a single vote. If this single vote is unsuccessful, than each prospective member will be voted upon in turn.

The initial number of inductees to the Hall should consist of ten members. Every year after that, a maximum of four new members may be considered.

An individual who has been inducted may, if he wishes, rejoin the Association in whatever capacity he is eligible to assume.